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S.C. Gets Funds to Help Low-Income Cope with Heat Wave

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that the Department of Health and Human Services will release \$1.2 million to the state of South Carolina to provide assistance to low-income individuals and families impacted by the heat wave in the South. Spratt said seven other Southern states would also receive funds under the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP).

"The extreme heat this summer is posing grave risks to elderly, very young, and disabled people," said Spratt. "I am pleased that South Carolina is among the states receiving assistance."

Spratt said the state can use the funds to pay cooling bills, buy air conditioners, or provide other means of assistance needed by low-income individuals and families.

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